



THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Tariq Ghayur, *et al.*

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INTERLEUKIN-18 AND METHODS OF
MAKING AND USING*

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REQUEST FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicants request a two-month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) in which to respond to the Restriction Requirement dated December 18, 2001.

Enclosed is a check, which covers the appropriate fee of \$400.00 based on large entity status. Please charge any underpayments or credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 12-0080. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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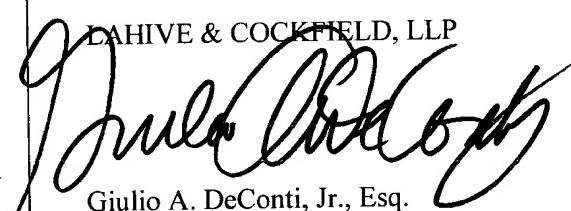
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